

# Close Out Specials

**Fifty Pairs of Misses' and Children's Shoes, broken sizes, to be sold at less than manufacturers' cost.**

## Cushing & Benedict

"Where you do the best."

## JANUARY Clearance Sale A Big Success

The event is calling many new customers who are taking advantage of our extraordinary low prices. This sale is a complete disposal of Winter Styles in

Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits, Coats, Gloves, Dresses, Waists, Furs and Children's apparel.

*Come in and See.*

**The Gaffney Style Shop**

## Warm Clothing for The Out Door Man

We have on our racks Heavy Sheet Lined Coats, Mackinaws, Duck Coats and Brown's Beach Jackets, bought before the rise in prices and priced accordingly. These garments would be a good investment to buy at our present price and keep until next winter if you didn't wear them a day until then. They are 25 per cent below the present market prices.

Sheep-lined Coats, in heavy Duck and Moleskin, at  
**\$3.95, \$5.00 and \$6.00**

Duck Coats and Corduroy Coats, heavy blanket lined, at  
**\$2.00, \$3.00 and \$3.50**

Kersey Pants.....\$2.25, \$3.00, \$4.50

Mackinaws, in all colors and sizes, up to 46, at  
**\$4.00, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50**

Brown's Beach Jackets, high neck and with collars, all wool, a dandy out-door coat, at  
**\$2.85, \$3.50 and \$4.00**

Hansen Gloves and Mittens

**SLATER & GOODES**  
MEN'S WEAR

### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Ed Lake was in Ithaca last Saturday on business.

J. R. Campbell was in Ithaca on business Tuesday.

John Grover of Flint was an Alma visitor New Year's Day.

Miss Fannie Sharrar was an Ithaca visitor on New Year's Day.

Pearl Decker of Elsie was in Alma on business last week Friday.

H. M. Landis was an Ithaca business visitor last week Saturday.

Daniel Sharrar was a guest of Ithaca friends on New Year's Day.

Verne Morgan of Flint visited with old Alma friends on New Year's Day.

Miss Edna Macomber spent the holidays visiting with friends in Detroit.

Harry Stevens of Breckenridge was an Alma visitor on Saturday of last week.

William Smith of St. Louis was an Alma visitor on Saturday of last week.

Dr. E. G. Slayter, osteopathic physician, Vermeulen block. Union phone 45.—Ad.

Miss Mae Wood of Mecosta visited with Alma friends the latter part of last week.

Miss Juniata Sebring of Bannister visited with Alma friends on Saturday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Mosley are the parents of a boy, born on Tuesday morning of this week.

Rev. C. L. Wood was called to Grosse on Tuesday of this week by the death of a brother-in-law.

William Clark of Owosso, a former resident of this city, was an Alma visitor on Tuesday of this week.

Doctor Alton of Bay City was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer M. Dunham over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Downey Vought left on Monday for Akron, Ohio, where Mr. Vought has accepted a position.

Walter Vliet of Chicago spent New Year's and the fore part of the week visiting with his family in this city.

Ralph Goggin, who is attending the Detroit College of Law, spent the holidays in Alma, a guest at the home of relatives.

Lee Rowley of Detroit spent the holidays in Alma, a guest at the home of relatives. He will be remembered as a former Alma resident.

James Klien of Canton, Ohio, was an Alma visitor the latter part of last week. He will be remembered as a former resident of this city.

Clarence Jessup visited with Alma friends last Saturday. The former Alma boy who is attending the University of Michigan this year.

Miss Bertha Hubbell, who has been spending the holidays in Alma, returned Tuesday to Holland, where she is teaching in the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Barnes and daughters, Miss Eva and Miss Helen, of Charlotte, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hall last week.

J. D. Helman was called to Canton, Ohio, the latter part of last week by the illness of his sister. He will probably be gone the balance of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Kellogg of Hastings spent New Year's Day in Alma, guests at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Scattergood.

Mark Spinney of Detroit, who has been spending the holidays in Alma, a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Spinney, has returned to Detroit.

Bert Hayward, who has been spending the holidays at the home of his parents in Alma, has returned to the Rapids, where he is attending Ferris Institute this year.

F. E. Clow of Courtland, New York, spent the holidays in and around Alma, visiting with former Alma friends. He will be remembered as a former resident of this city.

Carroll Hyde of Addison, who is attending the University of Michigan this year, was an Alma visitor the latter part of last week. He graduated from Alma college a couple years ago.

Miss Edith Cook, who has been spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Professor and Mrs. Albert P. Cook, left Monday for Cleveland, Ohio, where she is teaching this year.

Clyde Creaser, who has been spending the holidays in Alma, a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Creaser, returned to Big Rapids the first of the week, where he is teaching this year.

Miss Ivah Perrigo, who has been spending the holidays visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Perrigo, returned to Detroit on Tuesday, where she is attending the Detroit Conservatory of Music.

Professor Reese Farrington Veatch, who has been spending the holidays in New York City, has returned to his home in this city. While there he attended some of the great concerts which were being held in that city.

Robert Notestein, who has been spending the holidays visiting with his parents, Professor and Mrs. N. F. Notestein, returned to Wooster, Ohio, on Tuesday, where he is attending the College of Wooster this year.

Miss Ruth Bennett and Miss Helen Parr, who have been spending the holidays at the home of their parents in this city, returned Tuesday to Kalamazoo, where they are attending the Kalamazoo Normal this year.

Miss Ruth Cook, who has been spending the holidays in Alma, a guest at the home of her parents, Professor and Mrs. Albert P. Cook, returned the first of the week to Crosswell, where she is teaching this year.

W. C. Reemtsen of Charles City, Iowa, arrived in Alma last week Saturday with his family, and will make this city his future home. Mr. Reemtsen is a promoter, and one of the men behind the Western carburetor.

Professor and Mrs. F. E. Ellsworth of Kalamazoo spent the latter part of last week and the week end in Alma, guests of friends in this city. Mr. Ellsworth will be remembered as a former superintendent of schools in this city. He is now a professor at the Western State Normal at Kalamazoo.

On Friday night, January 12th, the Clara Vaughn Wales Co. will appear in the opera house, under the auspices of the Knights of Pythias, in a modern drama, entitled "Rejuvenation."

These players come very highly recommended, and the plot of the play is said to be interesting from start to finish. Don't forget the date, Friday, January 12th.

## The Very Best Candies Are None Too Good For You.

We are making our famous DeLuxe Candies—fresh every day—and the kind that will please her. The best there is in light lunches, etc.

## DeLuxe Candy Company



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THE MODEL BAKERY

## Another Gratiot County Business Concern

**A**BOUT April 1st, The Ithaca Sanitary Bottling Works will be ready for business in the Soft Drink line and everything will be conducted in a strictly sanitary manner. The machinery and the necessary stock have been purchased and all will be in business shape on the above date. All orders will be delivered by Truck thereby overcoming the usual delay in Railroad transportation, and the road men will be on the job in the near future to talk the good points of the New Company.

**The Ithaca Sanitary Bottling Works**  
Ithaca, Mich.

## HAVE MORE MONEY NEXT CHRISTMAS

We would like YOU to be one of the BIG HAPPY THROG that will make up our CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB for 1917

No matter what your circumstances or conditions in life may be, you will be better off if you become a member. You will enjoy the spirit of Christmas the year round, and by your co-operation you will help yourself as well as others to have a much more enjoyable Christmas than would be possible otherwise

## Money is a Big Factor in Making Christmas Merry

If you have money to buy presents for those you love—if you can buy freely and without stint of inconvenience, you will enjoy CHRISTMAS to the fullest extent and will be happy in making others happy.

It provides a SURE, SATISFACTORY and EASY way to accumulate a sum sufficient for your needs by making SMALL WEEKLY DEPOSITS—and these deposits are so small and distributed in such a manner that you can keep them up without any particular effort.

### HERE IS THE PLAN—Enroll in One or More of the Following Classes

CLASS 1. Members depositing 1 cent the first week, 2 cents the second week, and increasing 1 cent each week for fifty weeks will get **\$12.75**

CLASS 1A. Members depositing 50 cents the first week, 49 cents the second week, and decreasing 1 cent each week for fifty weeks will get **\$12.75**

CLASS 2. Members depositing 2 cents the first week, 4 cents the second week, and increasing 2 cents each week for fifty weeks will get **\$25.50**

CLASS 2A. Members depositing \$1.00 the first week, 98 cents the second week, and decreasing 2 cents each week for fifty weeks will get **\$25.50**

CLASS 5. Members depositing 5 cents the first week, 16 cents the second week, and increasing 5 cents each week for fifty weeks will get **\$63.75**

CLASS 5A. Members depositing \$2.50 the first week, \$2.45 the second week, and decreasing 5 cents each week for fifty weeks will get **\$63.75**

CLASS 10 Fixed. Members depositing 10 cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks will get **\$5.00**

CLASS 25 Fixed. Members depositing 25 cents each week fixed, for fifty weeks will get **\$12.50**

CLASS 50 Fixed. Members depositing 50 cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks will get **\$25.00**

CLASS 100 Fixed. Members depositing \$1.00 a week fixed, for fifty weeks will get **\$50.00**

CLASS 200 Fixed. Members depositing \$2.00 a week fixed for fifty weeks, will get **\$100.00**

Everybody is Invited. Have Everyone in the Family Enroll—including the Baby. All You Have to do to Enroll is to Make the First Deposit. No Fees, Fines or Trouble.

**Interest will be paid on these deposits on the average balance at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.**

Starting this Week at

**The Alma State Savings Bank**

"The Bank in the Heart of the City."